Edinburgh 31/10/46

Please to
Wm Shands
Kindly see that
I have sent Dowty
books &c to
friends in
Scotland since
would prefer
having for
West being
sent direct to
either to Edinr or
Glasgow as to
avoiding for them
coming from
London

My dear Friend

We have just dispatched over Edinr
Box that it may reach Liverpool in time
for the Steamer that leaves on the 4th of 11th mo.
in which we expect our beloved Wm L. Garrison
will take his passage home — It is impossible
to express our feelings on parting with him on
the satisfaction and true enjoyment we have
felt from having him for our guest for a few
days — His visit to Britain at this time has
been I doubt not in the ordering of an Almighty
Providence — and will form an important
epoch in the history of the Anti Slavery Move-
ment — He has secured the love & admiration of
the all who have seen & heard him with sin-
cere and candid minds — in public — whilst all
who have had the privilege of meeting him in

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private home & esteem him as their own personal
friend and brother. — and fervent will be the prayers
of thousands that he may be permitted to reach
his home and friends in safety — and his invalu-
able life long be spared to the glory of God and
the good of man. — Little did I ever expect to have
the pleasure of seeing him and George Thompson
together under our roof: — and long shall this
be remembered by each member of the family.
Frederick Douglass is also amongst us with
them, and is an exceeding favourite with both old
and young. — He is a wonderful man indeed!
and if preserved in humility and the fear of
the Lord may be the instrument of incalcula-
ble good. — How many more such minds may
be among the three millions of America's Slaves?!
Great as has been our sympathy & interest in
all your movements hitherto — we shall now
feel nearer and more closely identified in them
all — and can better comprehend the diseas-
aging influence of what you have so long called

a time serving and pro slavery Clergy, than ever before.— Now that that influence is extending to us and working its baleful effects among all denominations.—

I fear you will see the want of a Patons hand in packing our box - but as theirs was not ready thought it best to let you have this in good time - it has been hurriedly finished - having been exhibited for three days and packed up during the time we have been busy with meetings and the company of these dear friends.— so hope, if it only reaches safe you will excuse all deficiencies in this respect. The empty space at the top would have been filled up had it not been for the illness of a Lady whose collection of articles must now be kept for the Glasgow box, which I believe they intend to send by the following steamer about the 19th of March next month.— We shall be glad of a single line immediately on receipt of ours as we shall be so anxious to hear of the safety

of the bespell and its precious living freight. —
We shall also be interested to hear if you are to
have the Hall this year again or not. — We have wondered whether you would approve of our having a sale here another year: fearing you might find it difficult to dispose of the same description of things year after year — as the time comes again so rapidly — if they were turned into money here part of it could be sent to assist you — or articles purchased of a different description that might pack better and sell to more advantage. — when you have time please say what you think about this. — I am sorry we have no fine Tartans to send this time — all our cash is wanted for currency purposes here — but perhaps we may have some to send by the Glasgow box. — Excuse this hurried incoherent letter written amidst interruption & excitement: let no one else see it. — but believe me ever affectionately & faithfully yours in the Cause of Truth & humanity

Jane Wigham

Since the foregoing was written £22. worth more articles have been sent in which have been packed with the box which can leave the Lochmaben at of Blake Friends to W. & Edinburgh — I will be unpacked & it before he arrives & can see that all is sent where to the

Mary Anderson
Edgar Smith
Jane Thompson
Thos. Thompson
who is now dead

A list is enclosed in the box — giving a rough valuation upwards of £180 — and hope it will not turn out less to you —

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carriage & freight will be paid as far as can be done

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